

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION

JENNIFER ROUSSELL, ON BEHALF OF  
HERSELF AND OTHERS SIMILARLY  
SITUATED,

PLAINTIFF,

vs.

BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.,

DEFENDANT.

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CIVIL ACTION No. 4:05-CV-03733

Jury Requested

**DEFENDANT'S NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Defendant Brinker International Payroll Company, L.P. gives notice that it appeals to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit from the post-judgment Joint Order Granting Plaintiffs' Motion For An Award Of Reasonable Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Expenses, entered in this action on January 26, 2010, and all orders and rulings rendered appealable thereby.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Plaintiffs sued Brinker International, Inc. on November 1, 2005. *See* Collective Action Complaint (Dkt 1). Prior to the entry of judgment, the parties stipulated to substitute Brinker International Payroll Company, L.P. as the defendant. The correct party defendant is "Brinker International Payroll Company, L.P." Because there are various references in the record to "Brinker," "Brinker International," and "Brinker International Payroll Company, Inc.," among others, in an abundance of caution to preserve error, all variously named Brinker defendants join in this notice of appeal.

Dated: February 1, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

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